

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: John A. Morrison et al.  
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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR HIGH AVAILABILITY FIRMWARE LOAD

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

**Introductory Comments**

In response to the Office action dated September 7, 2006 (hereinafter “the Office action”), please enter the enclosed amendments and consider the following remarks.